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DECLARATION OF DR. JOHN SONDEK UNDER 37 CFR § 1.132

Sir:

I, Dr. John Sondek, declare as follows:

1. I am a named co-inventor of the above-referenced United States Patent Application Serial No. 10/593,503, entitled "Methods for identifying chemical modulators of Ras superfamily GTPase activity" (hereinafter "the '503 application"), filed July 10, 2007.

2. The subject matter of the '503 application was invented by Rafael Rojas and me. Each of us is named as an inventor on the '503 application.

3. The publication entitled "Established and emerging fluorescence-based assays for G-protein function: Ras-superfamily GTPases" (Rojas et al. *Combinatorial Chemistry & High Throughput Screening* 6(4):409-418 (June 2003)) is authored by Rafael J. Rojas, Randall J. Kimple, Kent L. Rossman, David P. Siderovski and me. Thus, the authors of this publication include the present two inventors and three additional authors, Randall J. Kimple, Kent L. Rossman and David P. Siderovski.

4. Randall J. Kimple, Kent L. Rossman and David P. Siderovski, who are co-authors of the publication listed above, did not contribute to the conception of the claims of the '503 application.

5. In accordance with customary academic practices and in recognition of their assistance, Randall J. Kimple, Kent L. Rossman and David P. Siderovski were named as co-authors of the above-referenced publication, but they are not listed as co-inventors on the '503 application because they did not contribute to the conception of the claimed invention.

6. I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.



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